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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

The Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) Inams (Abolition and Conversion into Ryothwari) Act, 1956 - Applicability of the Amendment Act No.16/2013 to the village artisan / village service Inams - Clarification – Orders – Issued.

Revenue(Lands.I)Department

GO Ms No:310 Dt 19.07.2023

Read:-

The Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) Inams (Abolition and Conversion into Ryothwari)Act, 1956 as amended by Act No.16/2013

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ORDER:

The Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) Inams (Abolition and Conversion into Ryothwari) Act, 1956 is intended to abolish and convert certain Inam Lands into Ryotwari Lands. The holders of the Inam Land were either cultivating the Land on their own or were leasing the same to different tenants.

2. The above Act grants to the tenants in occupation of the land on the cut of date, the beneficiary interest in the land, duly protecting the rights of the Inamdars. This Act is a major agrarian reform for conferment of right to a patta to the tiller of the Land, thus protecting the rights of the tenants as well. Some of these Inams granted were burdened with a service to deities /Endowments. Over a period of time, some of the Institutional service Inams lands have been alienated to third parties and the service due to the Institution was also not being performed. This prompted the Government to amend the said Act by the Amendment Act No. 16/2013. This Amendment had the effect of cancelling all ryotwari pattas granted to service inamdars in the case of Institutional Service Inams with retrospective effect.

3. During Re-Survey, several representations have been received from farmers stating that they have purchased lands from holders of ryotwari pattas granted to Village service Inams, or their vendees. They have represented that Revenue officers are not recording their names in the revenue records on the plea that no ryotwari pattas can be granted in the case of service Inams.

4. Government consider that, there is a need to draw a distinction between religious /Endowment service Inams and village service inams. The religious service Inams are burdened with service to the concerned Deity and the grantee, while eking his own livelihood by cultivating the land, is obligated to render service as mandated at the time of grant of service Inam. On the other hand, several service Inams were granted to village artisans viz, Barbers, carpenters,

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blacksmiths, washer man, Potters etc., for rendering service to the village community at large. Therefore, the words "Public Charity" used in the Amendment Act No.16/2013 is not to be seen as inclusive of Village artisan/ service Inams. Accordingly, Government hereby clarify that the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) Inams (Abolition and Conversion into Ryothwari) Act, 1956 as amended by Act No.16/2013 do not apply to Village artisan / village service Inams.

5. All the Revenue staff shall note that ryotwari pattas already granted in the case of such artisanal and/or Village service Inams are valid and such pattadars/their Legal Heirs/Purchasers shall be recorded as pattadar in all Revenue records and the same shall be incorporated in the necessary Re-survey records.

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh and all the District Collectors in the State shall take necessary action in this matter.

(BY ORDER IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To
1. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh
2. All the Collectors in the State
3. All the RDOs in the state
4.All the Tahsildars in the state

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